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***Communication***

***Claim Status***

Claims 1-107 have been voluntarily cancelled by the Applicants.

Newly submitted claims 108-164 are currently pending.

The Reply filed on February 15, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

In the Reply filed on February 15, 2006, the Applicants presented new claims 108-164, without expressly stating which of the newly presented claims read on the previously elected embodiment (i.e., Group II, Species VI, which correspond to tan asymmetrical storage disk (product) used in a disk drive, classified in class 360, subclass 135, 97.01, etc., wherein the Specie VI. (Figure 3C) is drawn to an asymmetrical disk having *arc-shaped* stiffening members.

Moreover, as set forth in the Restriction requirement mailed on October 9, 2003, it was stated “[i]f claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species. MPEP § 809.02(a).”

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

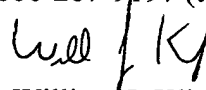
EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to William J. Klimowicz whose telephone number is (571) 272-7577. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday (6:30AM-5:00PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hoa Thi Nguyen can be reached on (571) 272-7579. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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